



RESPONSE
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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): William J. COLUCCI)
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Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE
TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the Examiner's Office Action dated January 17, 2006.

Applicants respectfully submit that the rejections of Claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 7-9 and 11-19 of the present application provided in the Office Action under 35 U.S.C. § 103 are overcome by the arguments and amendments presented herein. Amendments have been made to Claims 1, 7, and 17-19, Claim 8 has been cancelled, and in conjunction with the arguments presented herein, the application is now in condition for allowance.

Allowance of the present application is earnestly solicited.